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**2012 Deer Quotas Outside Biennial Ranges - Proposed**

Below are proposed changes from 2011 deer quotas and biennial ranges (MD = mule deer). All other deer quotas will be unchanged from 2011 levels. Proposals highlighted in grey are outside the biennial quota range.

**MULE DEER**

212-00: Increase B licenses from 50 to 150	213-00: Increase B licenses from 25 to 100
311-01: Decrease B licenses from 300 to 200	313-00: Decrease B licenses from 150 to 20
313-01: Decrease B licenses from 100 to 40	313-02: Decrease B licenses from 75 to 25
314-00: Decrease B licenses from 300 to 75	315-00: Decrease B licenses from 250 to 70
317-00: Decrease B licenses from 125 to 30	320-00: Decrease B licenses from 50 to 25
322-00: Decrease B licenses from 50 to 25	324-00: Decrease B licenses from 50 to 25
325-00: Decrease B licenses from 100 to 25	326-00: Decrease B licenses from 100 to 25
330-00: Decrease B licenses from 75 to 25	333-00: Decrease B licenses from 50 to 25
393-00: Decrease B licenses from 200 to 50	400-00: Decrease B licenses from 500 to 200
401-00: Decrease B licenses from 400 to 200	404-00: Decrease B licenses from 900 to 400
405-00: Increase B licenses from 200 to 400	406-00: Decrease B licenses from 400 to 100
413-00: Increase B licenses from 25 to 150	424-00: Decrease B licenses from 25 to 10
445-00: Increase B licenses from 100 to 150	560-00: Decrease B licenses from 250 to 100
570-00: Decrease B licenses from 100 to 50	575-00: Decrease B licenses from 250 to 50
580-00: Decrease B licenses from 250 to 100	600-00: Decrease B licenses from 400 to 300
680-00: Decrease B licenses from 500 to 300	007-13: Decrease from 2,500 to 1,000
797-00: Decrease B licenses from 500 to 100	502-00: Decrease B Licenses from 300 to 50
520-00: Decrease B Licenses from 150 to 50	

**WHITE-TAILED DEER**

121-00: Increase B licenses from 100 to 200	124-00: Increase B licenses from 100 to 200
311-00: Increase B licenses from 50 to 100	597-00: Decrease B license from 600 to 150
598-00: Decrease B licenses from 2,250 to 1,750	
333-10: Decrease the number of B licenses that can be purchased over-the-counter from 5 to 2	

**2012 Elk Quotas - Informational**

Below are proposed changes from 2011 elk quotas within biennial ranges. All other elk quotas will be unchanged from 2011 levels.

- 201-80: Increase antlerless B licenses from 75 to 85
- 201-81: Increase antlerless B licenses from 20 to 30
- 210-80: Decrease antlerless B licenses from 600 to 250
- 211-80: Decrease antlerless B licenses from 300 to 100
- 214-80: Decrease antlerless B licenses from 100 to 75
- 215-80: Decrease antlerless B licenses from 400 to 300
- 215-81: Decrease antlerless B licenses from 400 to 200
- 216-80: Decrease antlerless B licenses from 150 to 75
- 270-81: Decrease antlerless B licenses from 15 to 5

- 291-80: Decrease antlerless B licenses from 400 to 200
- 314-80: Increase antlerless B licenses from 200 to 400
- 317-80: Decrease antlerless B licenses from 250 to 150
- 004-80: Increase antlerless B licenses from 2,200 to 2,800
- 410-80: Increase antlerless B licenses from 300 to 600
- 412-80: Increase antlerless B licenses from 250 to 300
- 416-80: Decrease antlerless B licenses from 150 to 100
- 455-80: Increase antlerless B licenses from 100 to 125

### **2012 Antelope Quotas Outside Biennial Ranges - Proposed**

Below are proposed changes from 2011 antelope quotas and biennial ranges. All other antelope quotas will be unchanged from 2011 levels or adjusted within current biennial ranges. Proposals highlighted in grey are outside the biennial quota range.

#### **Statewide (Regions 3–7)**

- 900-00: Decrease Archery Either Sex licenses from 5,600 to 4,700

#### **Region 7**

- 700-00: Decrease Either Sex licenses from 6,500 to 3,000
- 700-10: Decrease Dow/Fawn licenses from 500 to 100

### **2012 Lion Quotas – Final**

Below are proposed changes from 2011 lion quotas and subquotas. Highlighted adjustments represent changes from the proposed adoptions in April. All other lion quotas/subquotas are proposed to be unchanged from 2011 levels. Quotas apply to “any legal lion” unless otherwise noted and as influenced by female subquotas.

#### **Region 1**

HD 100: increase total special licenses from 25 to 30; increase female lion subquota from 10 to 12

HD 101: increase total special licenses from 14 to 17; increase female lion subquota from 5 to 6

HD 102: increase total special licenses from 14 to 17; increase female lion subquota from 4 to 5

HD 103: increase total special licenses from 10 to 12; increase female lion subquota from 4 to 5

HD 104: increase total special licenses from 10 to 12; increase female lion subquota from 4 to 5

HD 109: increase total special licenses from 10 to 12; increase female lion subquota from 4 to 5

HD 110: increase total special licenses from 8 to 10; increase female lion subquota from 3 to 4

HD 120: increase total special licenses from 7 to 8; increase female lion subquota from 3 to 4

HD 121: increase total special licenses from 31 to 37; increase female lion subquota from 7 to 8

HD 122: increase total special licenses from 12 to 14; increase female lion subquota from 5 to 6

HD 123: increase total special licenses from 5 to 6; maintain female lion subquota at 2

HD 124: increase total special licenses from 4 to 5; maintain female lion subquota at 1

HD 130: increase total special licenses from 12 to 14; increase female lion subquota from 5 to 6

HD 132: increase total general license quota from 8 to 10

HD 140: increase total general license quota from 5 to 6

HD 141: increase total general license quota from 5 to 6

HDs 150 & 151: increase total general license quota from 6 to 7

## Region 2

NOTE: Proposed special lion licenses are equal to or greater than the total harvest quota represented by the male and female quotas and in most cases are double the male quotas. The general license quota (male and female quotas) will be used to determine how much general license harvest opportunity is available starting February 1. If the lion harvest by special mountain lion licenses meets or exceeds the male and/or female quotas by February 1, there will be no general license harvest opportunity available.

HDs 200 & 201 (Lower Clark Fork): maintain total special licenses at 20; adjust from female lion subquota of 4 to male quota of 10 and female quota of 10

HDs 202 & 203 (Lower Clark Fork): maintain total special licenses at 30; adjust from female lion subquota of 5 to male quota of 15 and female quota of 15

HDs 204, 260 & 261 (Bitterroot): decrease total special licenses from 20 to 10; adjust from female lion subquota of 3 to male quota of 5 and female quota of 2

HD 240 (Bitterroot): decrease total special licenses from 20 to 10; adjust from female lion subquota of 3 to male quota of 5 and female quota of 3

HD 250 (Bitterroot): decrease total special licenses from 20 to 14; adjust from female lion subquota of 3 to male quota of 7 and female quota of 7

HD 270 (Bitterroot): decrease total special licenses from 20 to 14; adjust from female lion subquota of 3 to male quota of 7 and female quota of 7

HDs 280, 281, 284, 293 & portion of 298 east of State Route 141 (Blackfoot): increase total special licenses from 12 to 14; adjust from female lion subquota of 3 to male quota of 7 and female quota of 7

HDs 283 & 285 (Blackfoot): increase total special licenses from 15 to 16; adjust from female lion subquota of 5 to male quota of 8 and female quota of 8

HDs 290, 291, 292, 293 & portion of 298 west of State Route 141 (Blackfoot): decrease total special licenses from 15 to 14; adjust from female lion subquota of 5 to male quota of 7 and female quota of 7

HD 210 (Upper Clark Fork): increase total special licenses from 4 to 7; adjust from female lion subquota of 2 to male quota of ~~6~~ 7 and female quota of ~~1~~ 0

HDs 211 & 216 (Upper Clark Fork): decrease total special licenses from 10 to 7; adjust from female lion subquota of 4 to male quota of ~~4~~ 5 and female quota of 2

HDs 212 & 215 (Upper Clark Fork): increase total special licenses from 4 to 6; adjust from female lion subquota of 1 to male quota of ~~4~~ 6 and female quota of ~~2~~ 0

HDs 213 & 214 (Upper Clark Fork): increase total special licenses from 2 to 3; adjust from female lion subquota of 1 to male quota of 2 and female quota of 1

### Region 3

HDs 300, 302, 328 & 329: adjust 2 legal male lion to 4 legal lion; add female subquota of 2

HD 301: increase total quota from 4 to 6; increase female subquota from 1 to 2

HDs 310/311/360/361/362: increase total quota from 5 to 7; increase female subquota from 1 to 2

HDs 313/393: increase total quota from 5 to 7; increase female subquota from 1 to 2

HDs 313/316: adjust 3 legal male lion to 4 legal lion; add female subquota of 1

HD 314: increase total quota from 4 to 6; increase female subquota from 1 to 2

HD 317: increase total quota from 3 to ~~6~~ 4; increase female subquota from 1 to 2

HD 318/335: adjust 2 legal male lion to 4 legal lion; add female subquota of 1

HDs 319 & 341: increase total quota from 3 to 4

HDs 320 & 333: adjust 2 legal male lion to 4 legal lion; add female subquota of 2

HDs 322, 326 & 330: adjust 2 legal male lion to 4 legal lion; add female subquota of 2

HDs 323, 324, 325 & 327: increase female subquota from 1 to 2

HD 331: adjust 3 legal male lion to 5 legal lion; add female subquota of 2

HD 339/343/388: adjust 4 legal male lion to 6 legal lion; add female subquota of 1

HDs 350 & 370: adjust 2 legal male lion to 3 legal lion; add female subquota of 1

HDs 390 & 391: increase total quota from 4 to 6

### Region 4

HDs 416, 446, 449, 452 & 454: increase female quota from 6 to 7

HDs 413 & 432: decrease male quota from 6 to 5; increase female quota from 4 to 5

HDs 405, 447 & 471: increase male quota from 2 to 3

#### **Special Mountain Lion License Allocation Adjustment – Final**

The proposed correction, adopted in April, is for any unsuccessful special lion license applicant to be able to purchase a general lion license valid for any open district statewide during the fall season and also for any open quota areas in Region 2 during the winter season. The final proposal represents no change from the April adoption.

#### **2012Bison Quotas – Proposed**

No changes are proposed from 2011 bison quotas.

#### **2012-13 Furbearer Seasons and 2012 Quotas – Proposed**

Furbearer season structure is defined by FWP Commission rule every two years. Furbearer quotas are set annually. Proposed season structure for 2012 and 2013, and annual quotas for 2012, are included below. All other season elements and quotas are proposed unchanged from 2011.

- Close furbearer trapping in the Bass Creek Special Recreation Area in Region 2.
- Clarify language regarding snares under **Public Land Trailheads**. Clarify language to prohibit snares within 1000 feet of public land trailheads.
- Replace otter carcass collection with skull collection only. Otter skulls will continue to be collected to provide teeth for aging used in population analysis.
- Remove the **Special Marten Regulation** intended to minimize incidental take of lynx. Retain the special regulation restricting the use of larger body grip traps in the fisher and wolverine regulations. Smaller marten sets do not represent potential for incidental take of lynx.
- Modify bobcat quotas in Regions 2 and 6: Region 2 increase from 100 to 180; Region 6 decrease from 125 to 90.

#### **Madison Valley Trumpeter Swan Reintroduction – Final**

FWP conducted an EA process to gather public comment regarding potential impacts of multi-year releases of a small number of trumpeters in the middle Madison to reestablish breeding in areas where extensive habitat restoration began in 2005. FWP proposes final endorsement of this effort as described in the EA.

#### **Ninepipe Habitat Enhancement - Proposed**